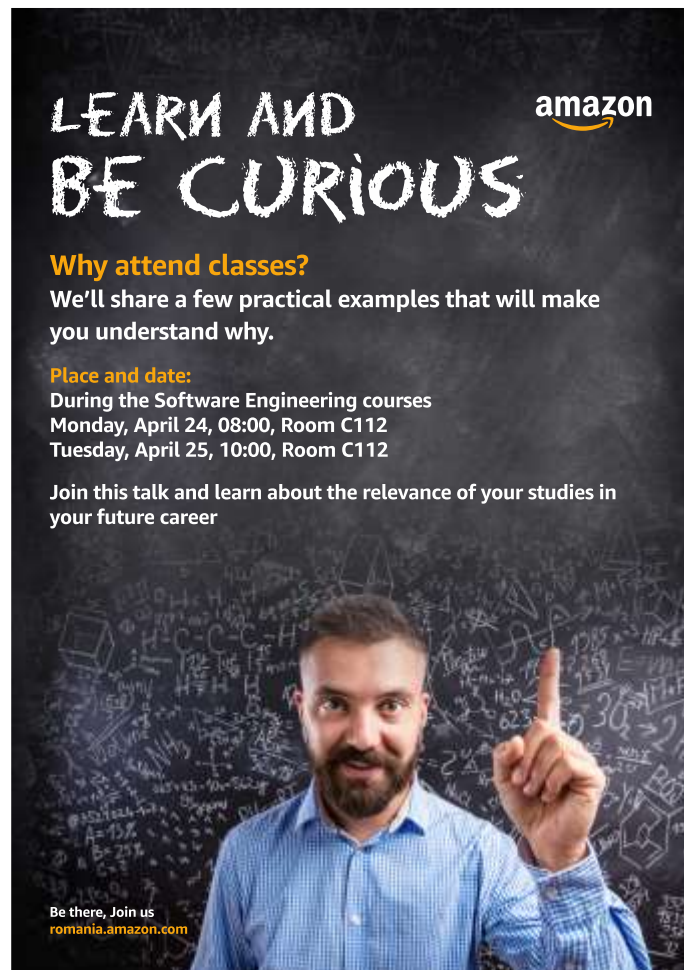


- What is Learn&Be Curious?
- Why we are here
- What we'll talk about

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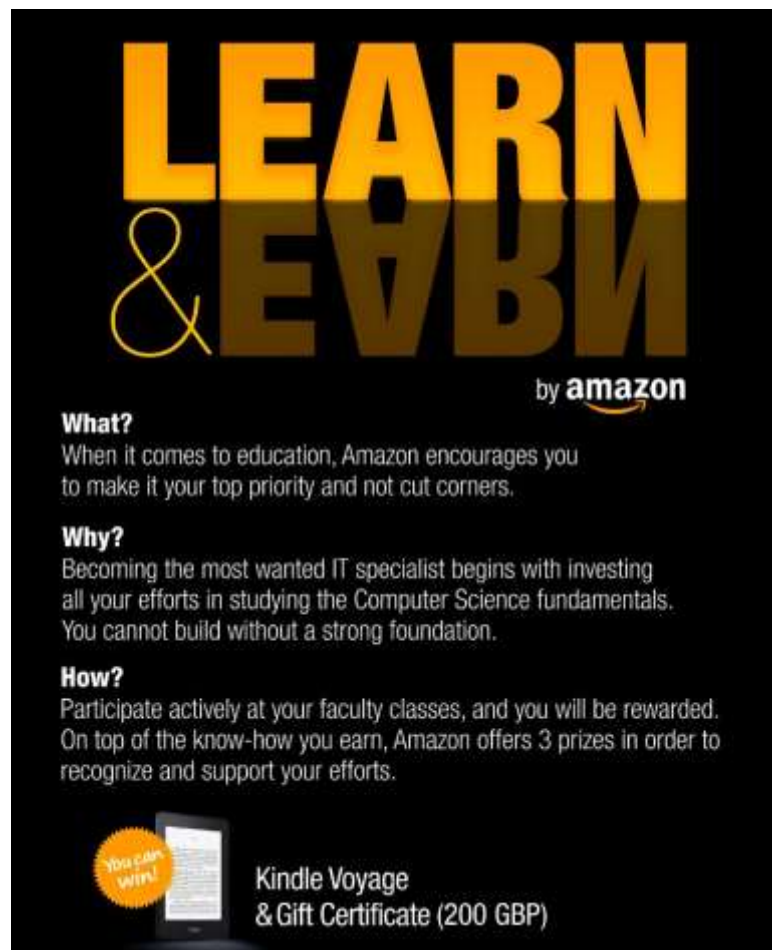
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- What is Learn&Earn
- Why award prizes?




**LEARN
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by **amazon**

What?
When it comes to education, Amazon encourages you to make it your top priority and not cut corners.

Why?
Becoming the most wanted IT specialist begins with investing all your efforts in studying the Computer Science fundamentals. You cannot build without a strong foundation.

How?
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Kindle Voyage
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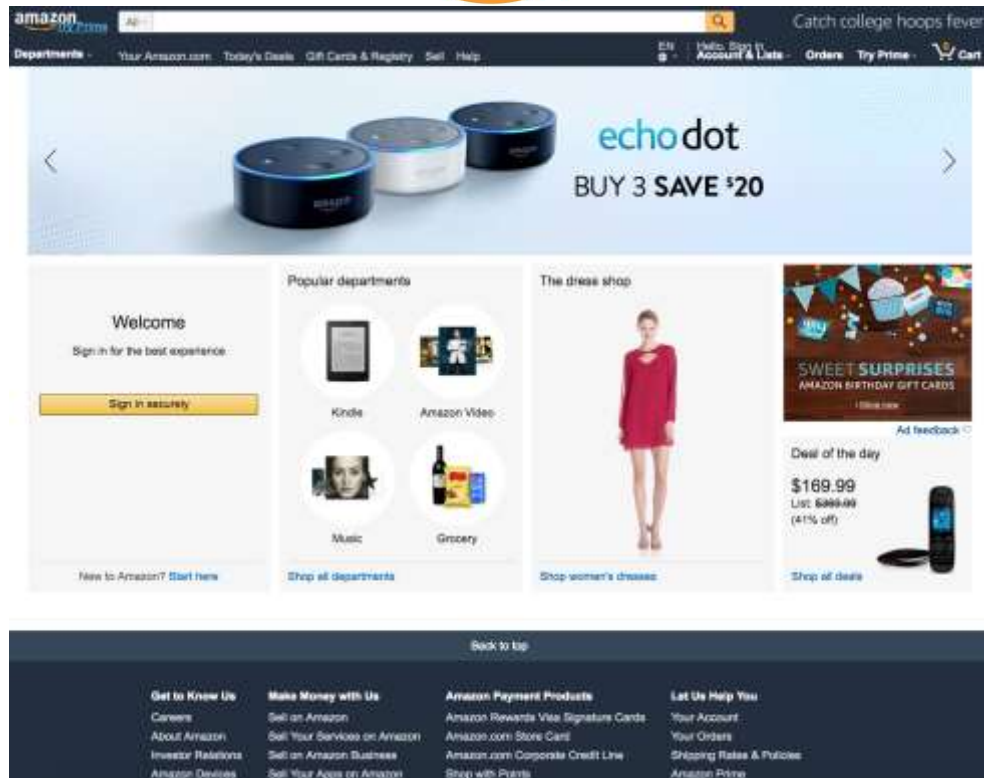
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Online retail



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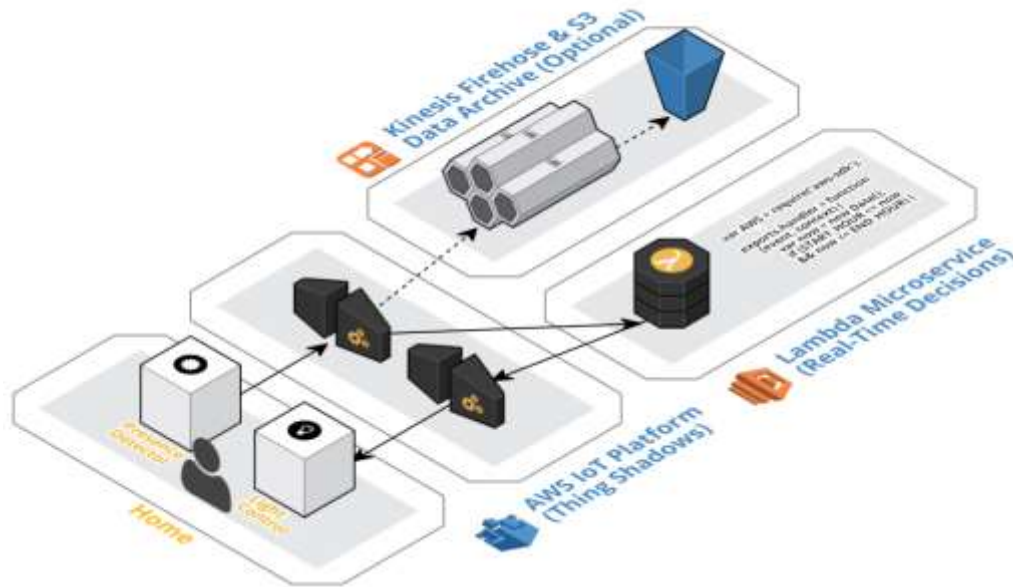




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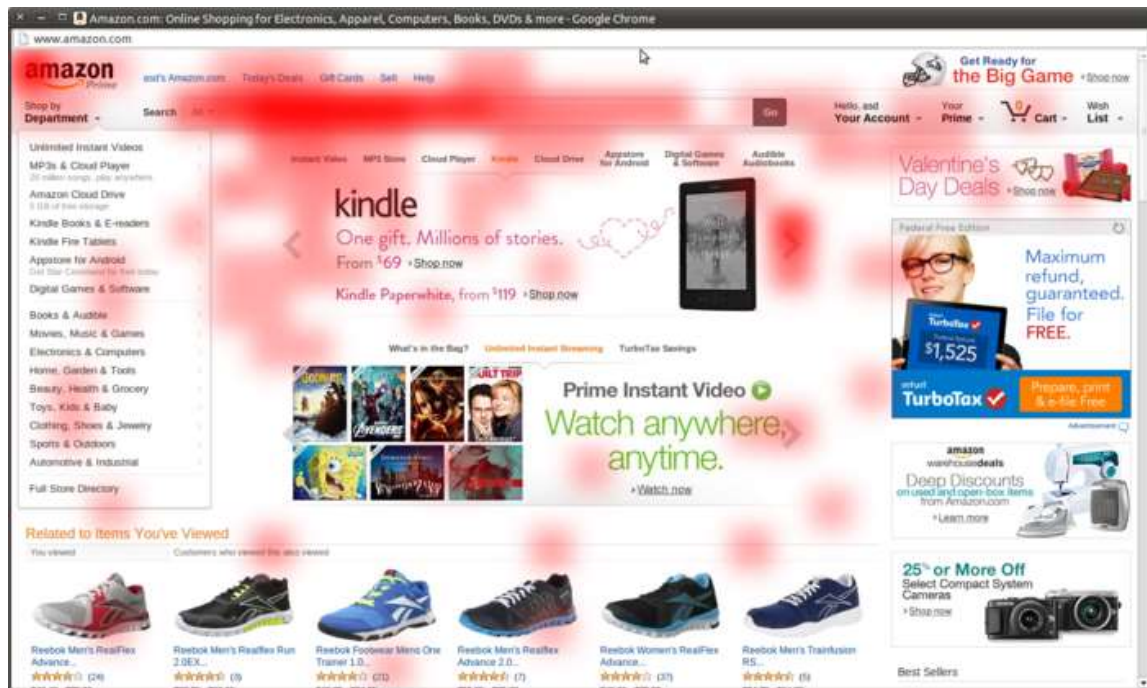


“Put the customer first. **Invent.** And be patient.”



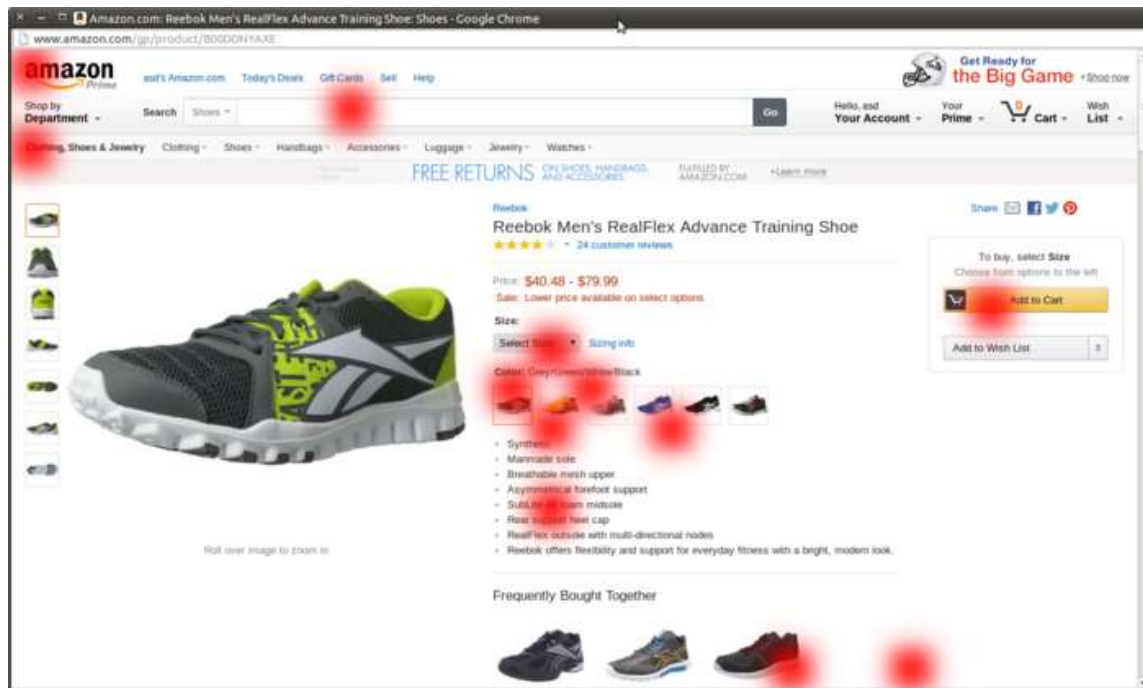
Optimizing Amazon.com

- How can we understand what the user's journey is on a page?
- In-page analytics. *Everyone does it!*



Optimizing Amazon.com

- Measure, measure, measure!
- In the wild, not in the lab.
- Improve on the basis of real data.





Analytics hooks

- A web page is composed of web elements.
- A user interacts with web elements.
- Interaction triggers more than one unit of work to be run.



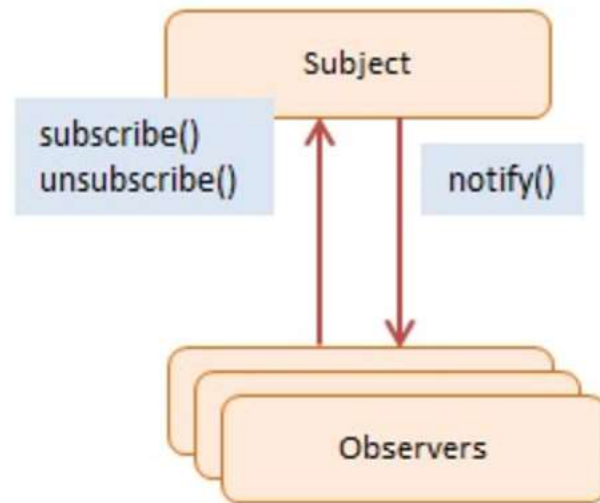
Analytics hooks

```
function buildDetailPage(product) {  
  WebPage detailPage = new WebPage("detailPage", product);  
  var addToCartButton = new Button("Add to cart");  
  WebPage.add(addToCartButton);  
  addToCartButton.onClick = new function(clickEvent) {  
    doAnalytics(clickEvent);  
    doAddToCart(product);  
  };  
  // other elements added to the page  
}
```

Can we decouple the analytics from the actual add to cart invocation?

Observer

- **Problem:** A large monolithic design does not scale well as new graphing or monitoring requirements are levied.
- **Definition:** Define a one-to-many dependency between objects so that when one object changes state, all its dependents are notified and updated automatically.
- **Web apps** ⇔ writing many **event handlers**.
- **Event handlers** = functions that will be notified when a certain event fires.





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Observer

```
function Button() {
  this.handlers = []; // observers
}
Button.prototype = {
  subscribe: function(fn) {
    this.handlers.push(fn);
  },
  unsubscribe: function(fn) {
    this.handlers = this.handlers.filter(
      function(item) {
        return (item !== fn) ? item : undefined
      }
    );
  },
  fire: function(event) {
    var scope = thisObj || window;
    this.handlers.forEach(function(item) {
      item.call(scope, event);
    });
  }
}
```

Observer

```
// new Detail page code, decoupled from Analytics code
function buildDetailPage(product) {
  WebPage detailPage = new WebPage("detailPage", product);
  var addToCartButton = new Button("Add to cart");
  WebPage.add(addToCartButton);
  function addToCart() {
    // call add to cart service
  }
  addToCartButton.subscribe(addToCart);
  // other elements added to the page
}
```

Observer

```
function analyticsModule(webPage) {  
  function doAnalytics(elementEvent) {  
    // call analytics service and register event  
  }  
  webPage.getButtons().forEach(function(button) {  
    button.subscribe(doAnalytics);  
  });  
  // analytics module code goes here  
}
```



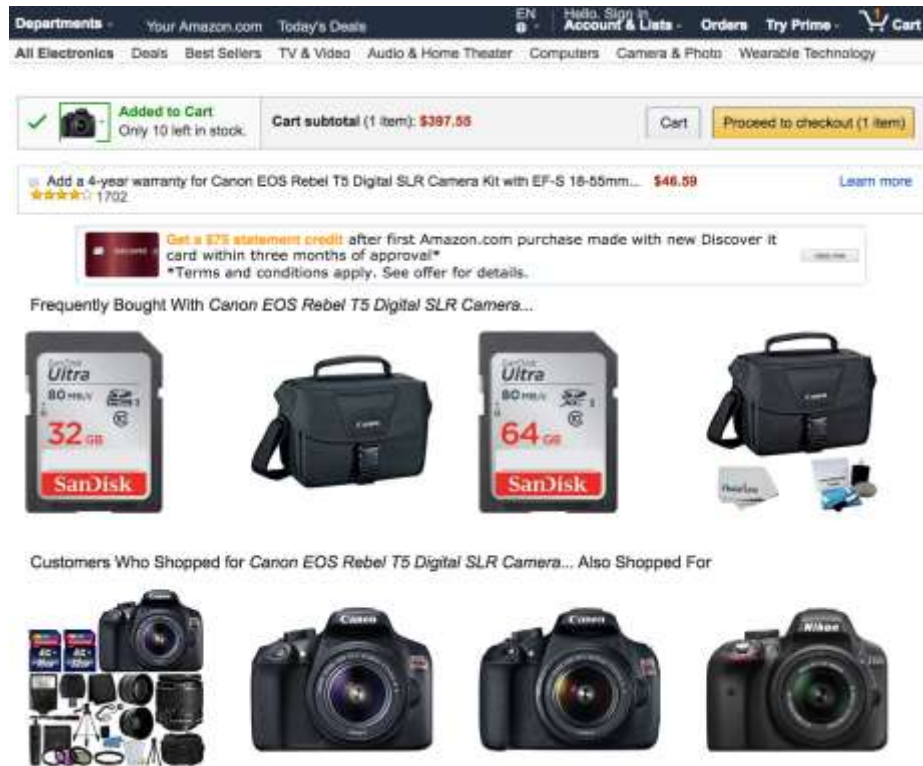

Observer - benefits

- Decoupling of subject and observers: the subject doesn't need to know about how many or which observers will be interested in changes.
- Open-closed software: we only need to write new observer code, not modify existing one.



Shopping engagement

- How are these recommendations served?
- What if we want new types of recommendations to be displayed?



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Shopping engagement

```
public class TopSellersWidget extends WidgetBase {
    static final String TOP_SELLERS_RANK = "top-sellers";
    @Override
    protected Set<Products> getRecommendedProducts() {
        if (KindleService.isKindleInCart(this.addToCartRequest.getCartProducts())) {
            return Collections.emptySet();
        }

        ProductRankingService service = ProductRankingServiceFactory.getService();
        GetRankedProductsRequest request = service.newGetRankedProductsRequest(
            this.addToCartRequest.getMarketplaceID(),
            TOP_SELLERS_RANK,
            this.getCategories(this.addToCartRequest.getCartProducts()));

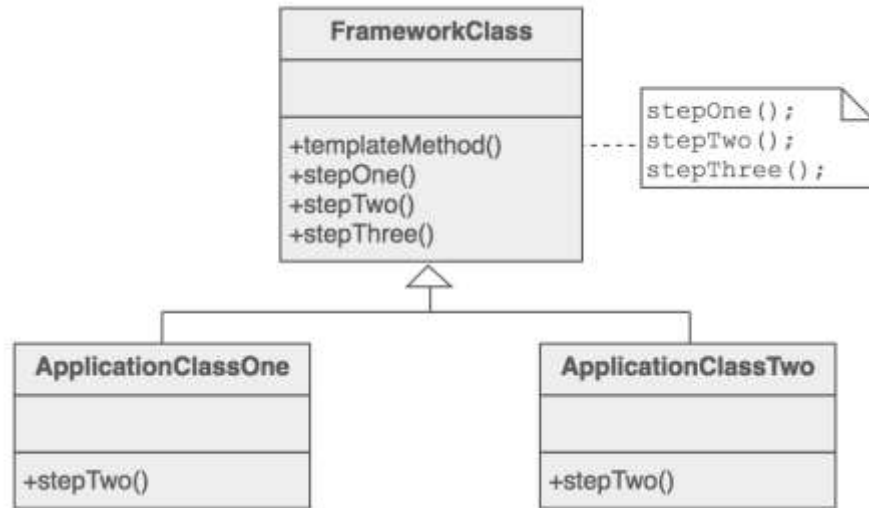
        GetRankedProductsResult result = request.callAsync();
        while (!result.isReady() && !currentThread().isInterrupted()) {
            wait(100);
        }
        if (result.isReady()) {
            Map<Category, Set<Product>> topRankedProducts = result.getTopRankedProducts();
            return topRankedProducts.entrySet().stream()
                .flatMap(mapEntry -> mapEntry.getValue().stream())
                .collect(Collectors.toSet());
        }
        return Collections.emptySet();
    }
}
```

Shopping engagement

```
public class PurchaseSimilaritiesWidget extends WidgetBase {  
    @Override  
    protected Set<Products> getRecommendedProducts() throws Exception {  
        SimilaritiesService simsService = SimilaritiesServiceFactory.getService();  
        GetSimilaritiesRequest simsRequest = simsService.newGetSimilaritiesRequest(  
            this.addToCartRequest.getMarketplaceID(),  
            this.addToCartRequest.getCartProducts());  
        simsRequest.setMaxResults(10);  
        GetSimilaritiesResult simsResult = simsRequest.callAsync();  
        while (!simsResult.isReady() && !currentThread().isInterrupted()) {  
            wait(50);  
        }  
        if (simsResult.isReady()) {  
            Map<Product, Map<Product, Float>> similarProducts = simsResult.getSimilarProducts();  
            return topRankedProducts.entrySet().stream()  
                .flatMap(mapEntry -> mapEntry.getValue().stream())  
                .sorted(Map.Entry.<Product, Float>comparingByValue().reversed())  
                .limit(10)  
                .map(Map.Entry::getKey)  
                .collect(Collectors.toSet());  
        }  
        return Collections.emptySet();  
    }  
}
```

Template method

- **Problem:** two different components have significant similarities. A change common to both components implies duplicate effort.
- **Definition:** Define the skeleton of an algorithm in an operation, deferring some steps to client subclasses.
- **Template Method lets subclasses redefine certain steps of an algorithm without changing the algorithm's structure.**



https://sourcemaking.com/design_patterns/template_method

Template method

```
public enum RecommendedProductRetrievalTemplate {
    INSTANCE;
    public final Set<Product> retrieve(Widget widget) {
        if (widget.shouldStop()) {
            return Collections.emptySet();
        }
        Request serviceRequest = widget.buildServiceRequest();
        Result result = serviceRequest.callAsync();
        waitForServiceResult(result);
        return widget.processServiceResult(result);
    }
    private void waitForServiceResult(final Result result) {
        // do complicated synchronization on results ready-ness
        ...
    }
}

public interface Widget {
    boolean shouldStop();
    Request buildServiceRequest();
    Set<Products> processServiceResult(Result result);
}
```


Template method

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        return topRankedProducts.entrySet().stream()
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    }
}
```

Template method

```
public class PurchaseSimilaritiesWidget extends WidgetBase {  
    @Override  
    boolean shouldStop() { return false; }  
    @Override  
    Request buildServiceRequest() {  
        SimilaritiesService simsService = SimilaritiesServiceFactory.getService();  
        GetSimilaritiesRequest simsRequest = simsService.newGetSimilaritiesRequest(  
            this.addToCartRequest.getMarketplaceID(),  
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        simsRequest.setMaxResults(10);  
        return simsRequest;  
    }  
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            .map(Map.Entry::getKey)  
            .collect(Collectors.toSet());  
    }  
}
```



Template method - benefits

- All widgets know what they have to define in order to return recommendations.
- They don't reinvent the wheel.
- They don't duplicate async calls and results synchronization code.





Design patterns in low level programming





Design patterns in low level programming

- Do you trust Amazon to delegate credit card processing?
- We work hard to protect customer data



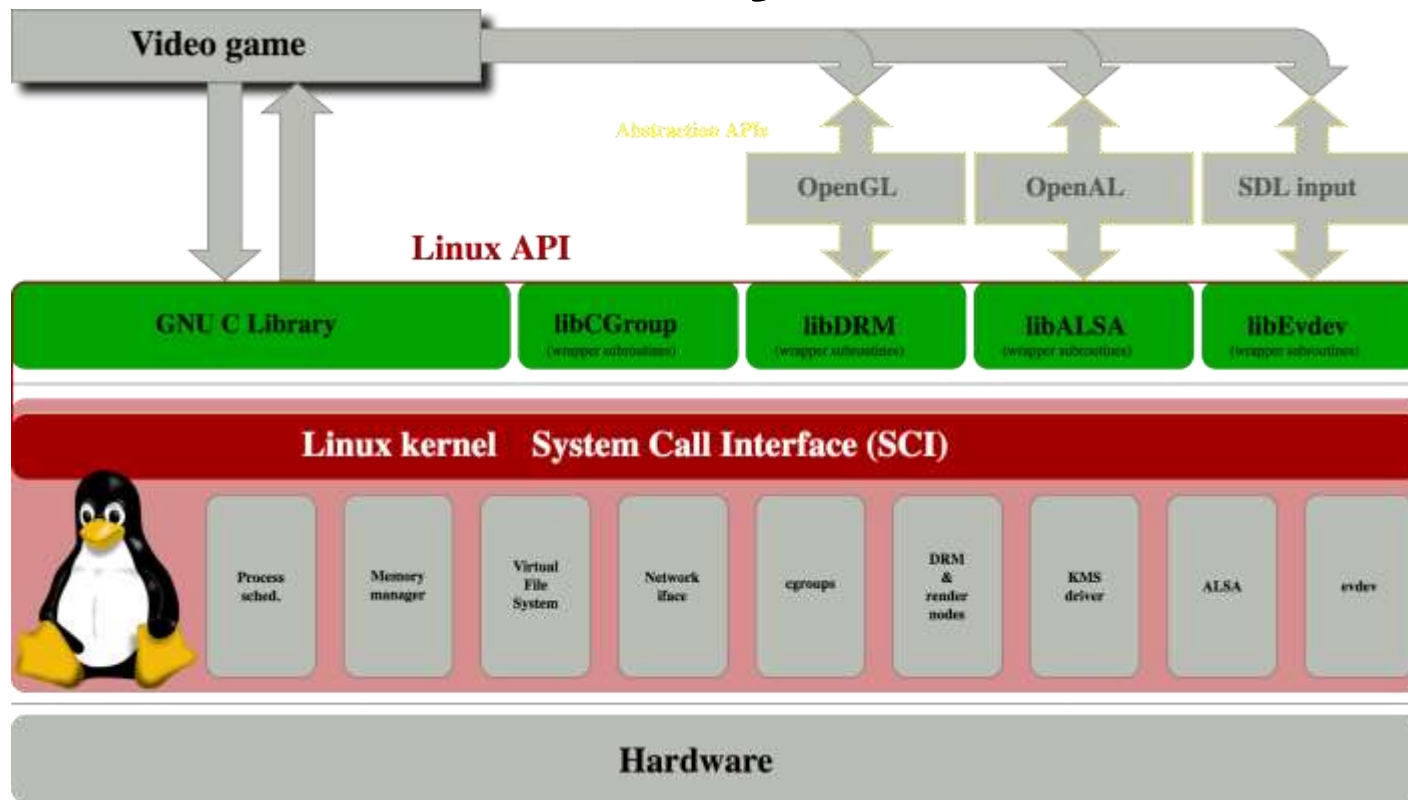


Linux Security Modules

- How access control works in kernel?
- Different security modules:
 - SELinux (NSA)
 - AppArmor (Canonical)
 - Smack (Intel)
 - TOMOYO (NTT Data Corp)
 - Yama (Canonical)



Linux Security Modules





Linux Security Modules

How can one restrict syscall access?





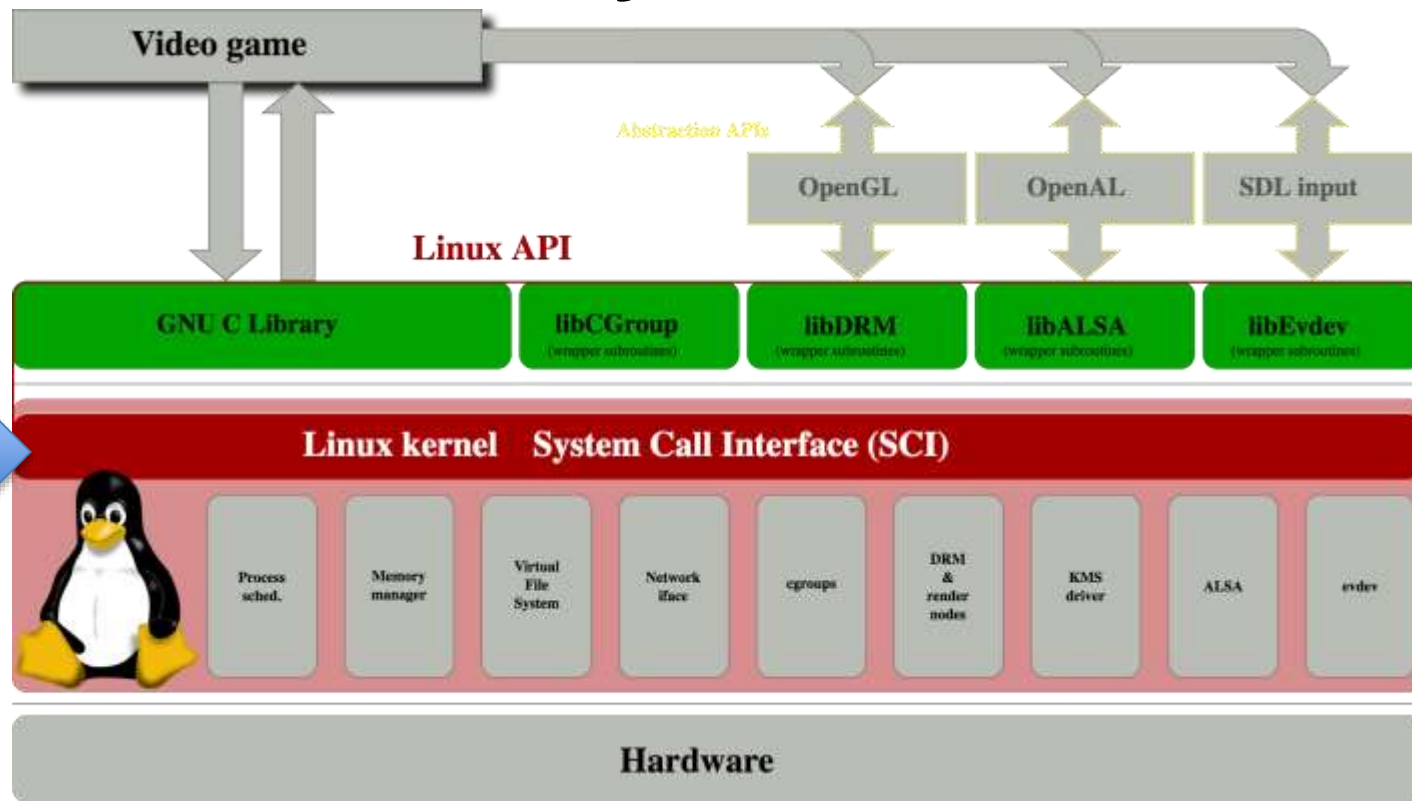
Linux Security Modules

- In early 2000 there was no standardized kernel security framework
- NSA proposes SELinux as a monolithic solution



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Linux Security Modules



2001 SELinux



Linux Security Modules

High-level pseudocode:

```
open_syscall():
```

```
...
```

```
    selinux_access_checks()
```

```
...
```

```
    open_call()
```



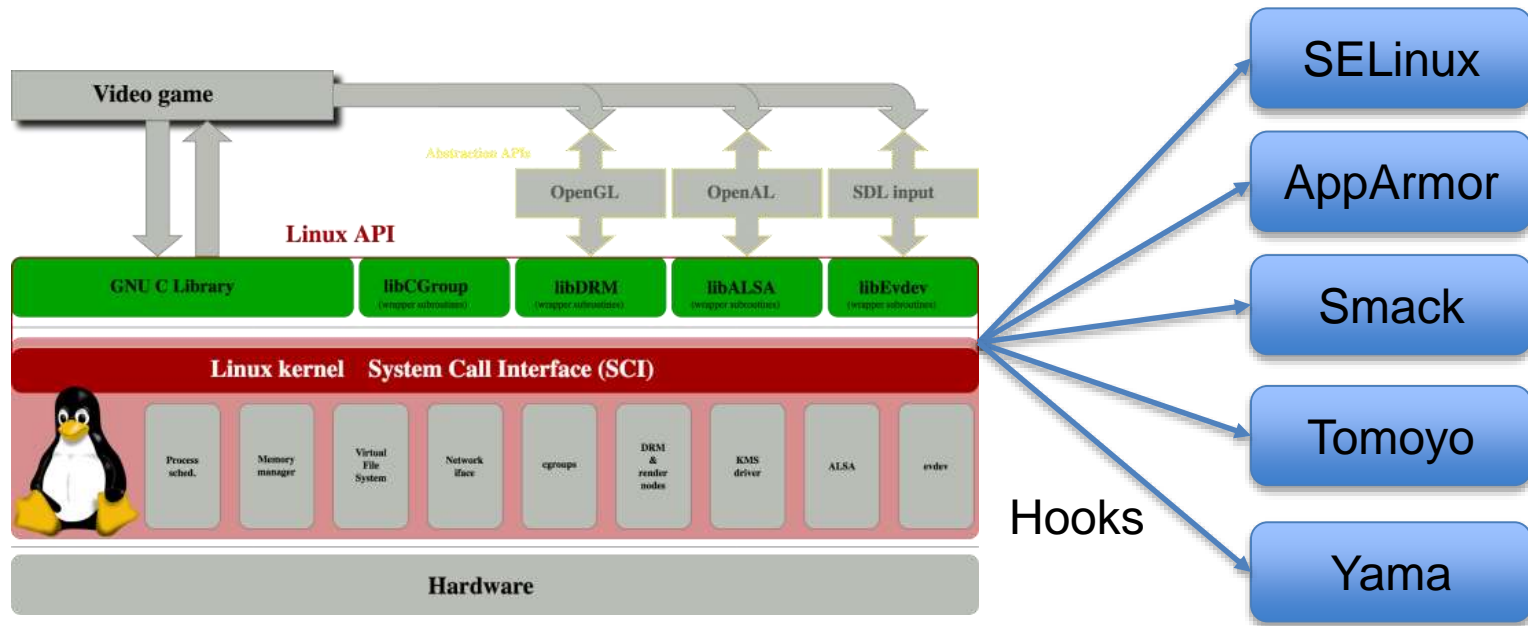


Linux Security Modules

- In 2003 there was still the same problem
- LSM is introduced as a generic security framework
- SELinux is approved in the mainline



Linux Security Modules





Linux Security Modules

High-level pseudocode:

```
register_selinux_hooks()
```

```
open_syscall():
```

```
...
```

```
process_generic_hooks()
```

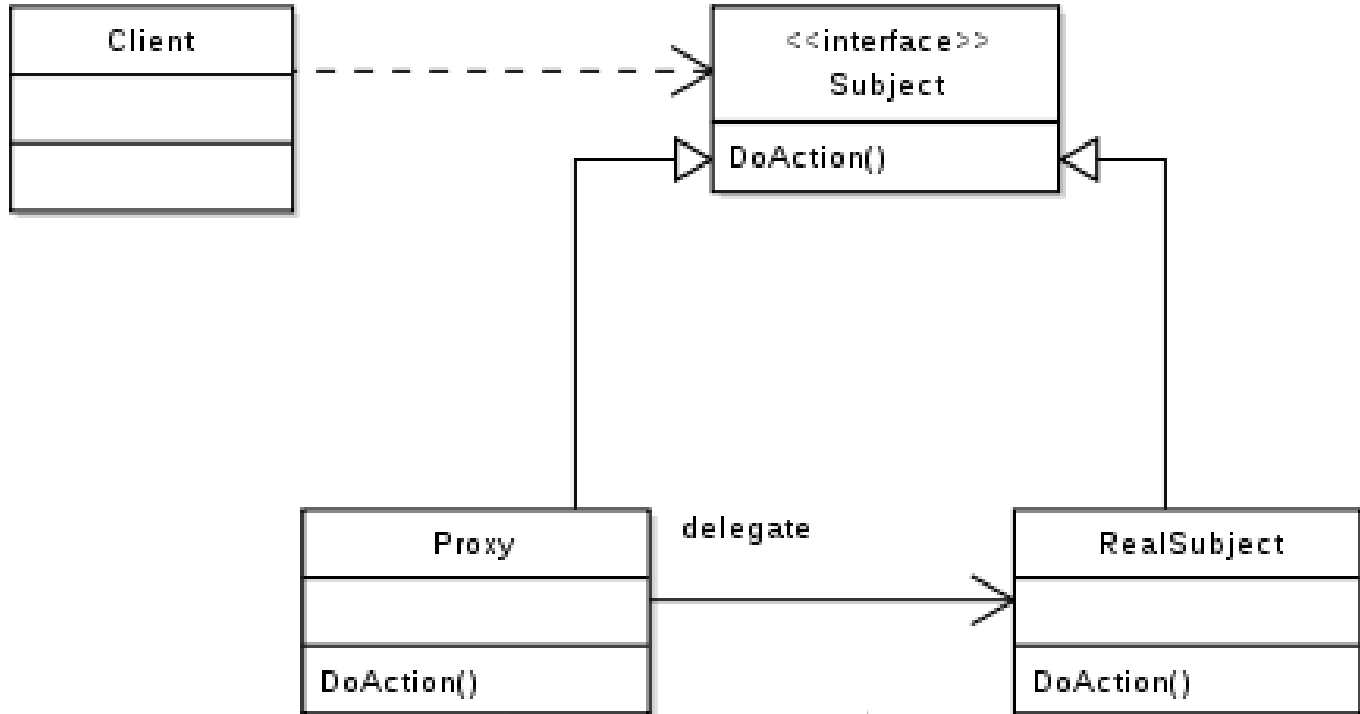
```
...
```

```
open_call()
```





Linux Security Modules – Proxy Pattern





Linux Security Modules – Proxy Pattern

- Rejecting initial SELinux proposal was a chance to build generic frameworks
- Proxy pattern adds an indirection layer
- Reduces complexity from critical components
- Adds a plus on availability since critical code is not modified often





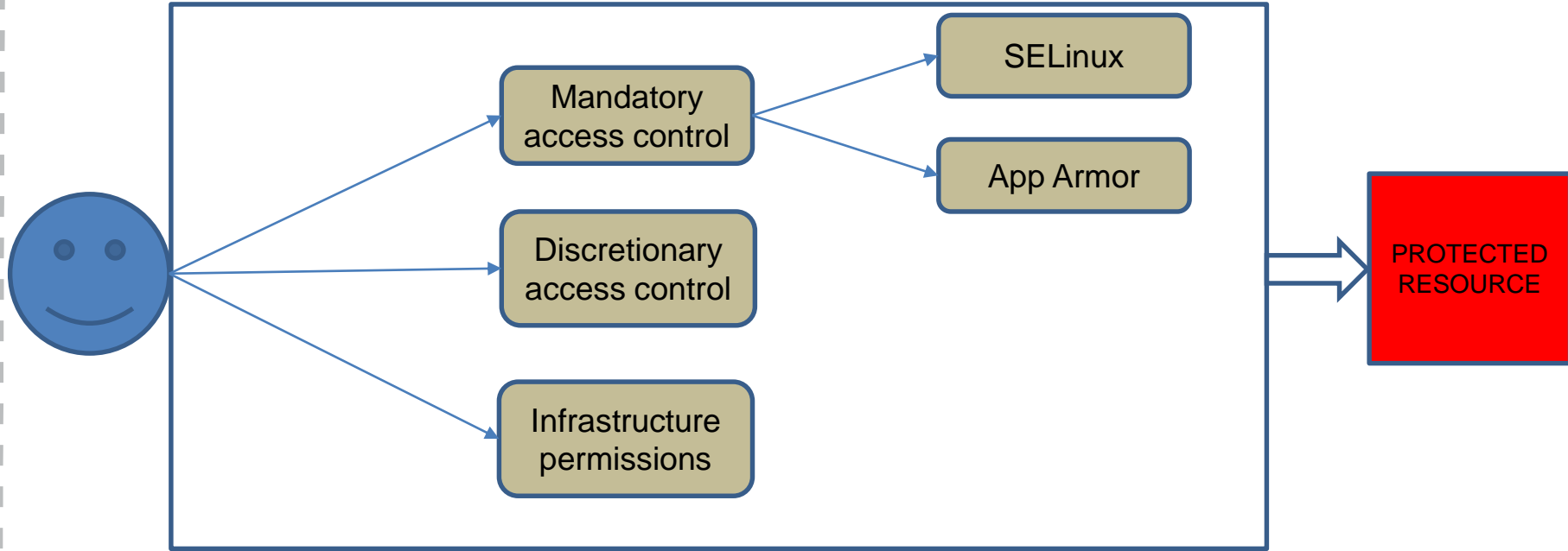
Managing permissions

- Default Discretionary Access Control(DAC) in Linux has: read, write and execute
- Sometimes it is not enough, you want additional granularity (heap dump, stack trace)
- Existing frameworks might be too complex with a steep learning curve
- There are multiple kinds of permissions for each resource
- Sometimes you must combine different technologies to achieve a goal





Managing permissions





Managing permissions

High-level pseudocode

```
init_mac_system()  
init_dac_system()  
init_infrastructure_permissions()  
...  
check_mac_access(user, resource, action)  
check_dack_access(user, resource, action)  
check_infrastructure_permissions(user,  
resource, action)
```





Managing permissions - Facade

How can we make it simpler?





Managing permissions - Facade

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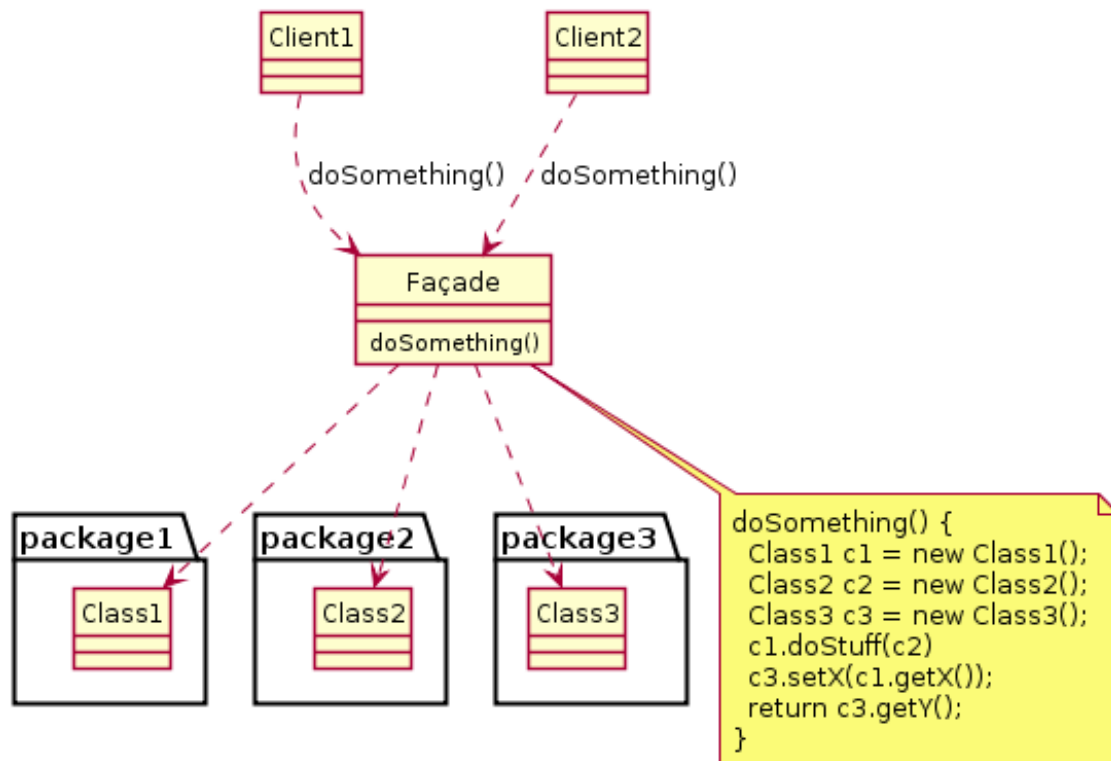
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init_permission_system()
```

...

```
check_permissions(user, resource, action)
```



Managing permissions - Facade





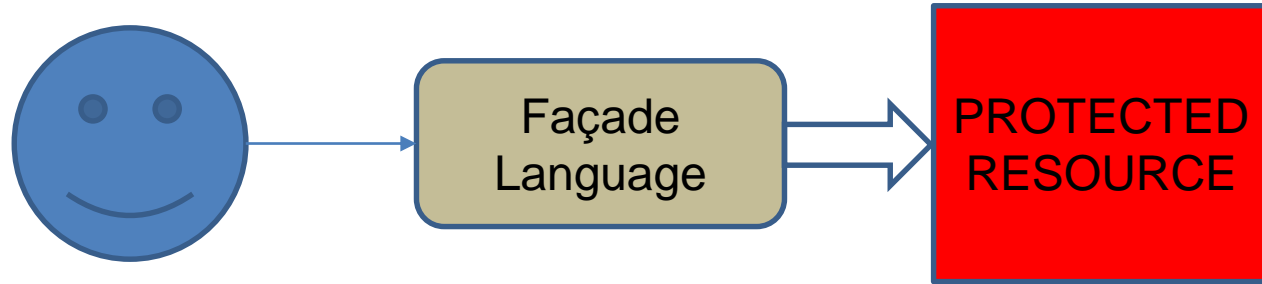
Managing permissions - Facade

- Provide a unified interface to a set of interfaces in a subsystem
- Transform a complicated subsystem by using a simpler interface





Managing permissions - Facade





Security work is never ending story.
**Follow design patterns to make it easier to
understand and maintain.**





A project's lifecycle



A project's lifecycle



<http://www.ign.com/articles/2015/10/05/this-life-size-lego-batmobile-is-unbelievable>





A project's lifecycle

- Handover
- Requirements
- Design
- Develop & Test
- Maintenance





The Vision



The Result



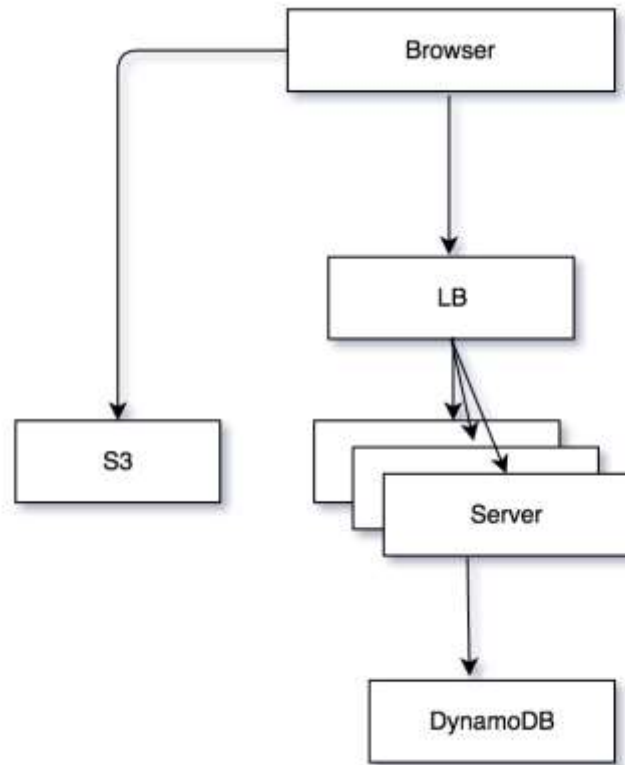
Handover

- **The project**
 - How big is the project
 - How many users does the system have
- **The communication**
 - Reverse engineering
 - You are given a presentation
 - Q/A on conference call
 - Emails



Handover

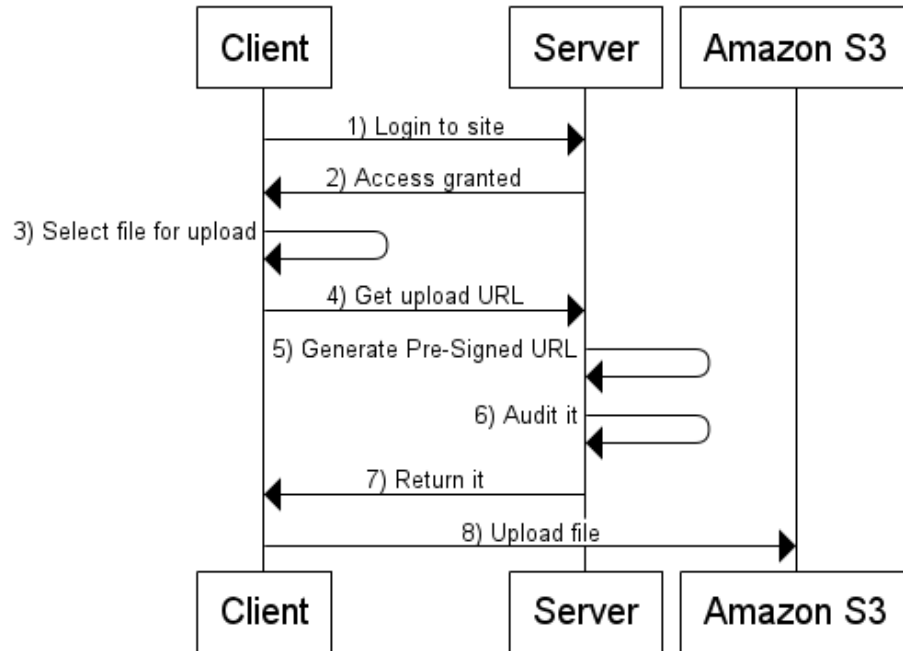
- Documentation
 - Architecture diagram
 - Database diagram
 - Sequence diagram
 - Deployment document





Handover

Direct File Upload to S3





Requirements

- A list of business requirements
 - Forward engineering
 - Small requirements or lots of new functionalities
- More requirements from developers
 - Amazon's working backwards philosophy
 - Developer in the driver seat
 - Start with the customer
 - User research
 - Discover new customers
- Innovation
- Review the list of requirements with peers and stakeholders





Design

- **Steps for a successful design**
 - Create an architecture overview document
 - Create a prototype
 - Create final design document
 - Validate the design with engineering leaders in the company



Design

- **Things to consider**
- **System integration**
 - The other systems it needs to communicate with
 - Message bus? Caching layer? Search? Big data?
 - The scale at which it will operate
 - Create a new module / service or build on existing stack?
 - More services / less services
 - SOA at Amazon
- **Technologies**
 - Languages and frameworks to use
 - Should it use an existing library (Open source, AWS)?



Amazon
Rekognition



AWS
Lambda



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Develop, develop, develop

- Handover
- Requirements
- Design
- **Develop & Test**
- Is this all?



Maintenance

- Define environments
 - Pre-production and production stages
 - Host infrastructure
- Monitoring
 - Performance metrics
 - Health metrics
- Alarms
- Optimizations

AWS CloudWatch

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